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Dear Grantee:

I am pleased to inform you that your agency has been awarded Comprehensive Behavioral Health Treatment and Recovery Program grant funds from the Division of Behavioral Health for Fiscal Year 2011. The individual grant award information has been sent to you by the Financial Management Services, Grants and Contracts Support Team. Included with that information was the Psychiatric Emergency Services Program Type description as a refresher to those of you that provide this essential service. The DBH website home page provides further guidance in the Community Planning Service Areas Grantee List.

The FY 11 CBHTR grant awards were determined utilizing a performance based funding (PBF) process that reflected agency performance during the first three quarters of FY 10. Grantees were held accountable for four FY 10 performance measures:

- 1. Grant Review & Progress Report: DBH Staff Score.
- 2. Participation in Administering the Behavioral Health Consumer Survey (BHCS).
- 3. Client Status Review (CSR) Findings: Percent of clients with improved or maintained condition as reflected by the "Summary of 11 Life Domains" CSR score.
- 4. Data Completeness and Compliance: Percent compliance for completing CSRs and ASTs.

The FY 11 CBHTR Performance Based Funding Summary will be posted on the DBH website shortly. We will send you a notice and the link in an email when the information goes online. You will also be receiving in a separate email, information on the FY 11 Performance Measures. These measures will be utilized in the PBF determinations for FY 12 funding.

Several populations are emerging that I encourage you to engage in your agency's community planning process. In this new fiscal year we are working to support the Governor's Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Initiative (DVSA). Every agency should identify their role in working with people affected by domestic violence including planning and coordinating with shelter providers. Relative to the SAMHSA strategic initiative to integrate primary care and behavioral health, we encourage partnerships with local health care providers to expand the services to our vulnerable Alaskans. We encourage you to outreach to two additional priority populations, children and families served by Office of Children's Services and military families.

We look forward to working with you in the coming year. If you have any questions please contact your Behavioral Health Program Manager.

Sincerely.

Melissa Witzler Stone

Director